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GREAT LITERATURE—ANCIENT, MEDIEVAL, AND MODERN.

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To each person who submits satisfactory evidence of having read all the books on this list within three years from the time of joining the circle, a certificate will be awarded bearing the seal of the United States Bureau of Education and signed by the Commissioner of Education. All young men and women who wish to lay a good foundation for a knowledge of the best literature are invited to join this circle.

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| 1. The Book of Job. Moulton's Modern Reader's Bible. Macmillan Co., New York..... | \$0.90 |
| 2. Deuteronomy. Moulton's Modern Reader's Bible. Macmillan Co., New York..... | .75 |
| 3. Isaiah. Moulton's Modern Reader's Bible. Macmillan Co., New York.. | .90 |
| 4. The Iliad of Homer. Lang, Leaf, and Myer. Macmillan Co., New York.. | .25 |
| 5. The Odyssey of Homer. Butcher and Lang. Macmillan Co., New York.. | .80 |
| or | |
| The Odyssey of Homer. William Cullen Bryant. Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston. Students' edition..... | 1.25 |
| 6. The Prometheus Bound of Aeschylus. Janet Case. E. P. Dutton, New York..... | .45 |
| 7. The Aeneid of Virgil. Taylor. E. P. Dutton, New York..... | .50 |
| or | |
| The Aeneid of Virgil. Williams. Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston..... | .80 |
| 8. The Nibelungenlied. Needler. Henry Holt & Co., New York..... | 2.00 |

9. The Divine Comedy of Dante. Cary. Thomas Y. Crowell & Co., New York. Astor edition..... \$0.75
 or
 The Divine Comedy of Dante. Norton. Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, 3 vols., each..... 1.50
 or
 The Divine Comedy of Dante. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston..... 2.50
10. Cervantes' Don Quixote. Johnson. Macmillan Co., New York..... .75
11. Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice, Macbeth, Hamlet, and Othello. Any edition.....
12. Select Plays of Molière: Tartuffe the Impostor; Shopkeeper Turned Gentleman; The Misanthrope. Macmillan Co., New York, each..... .30
13. Milton's Paradise Lost. Masson's edition. Thomas Y. Crowell & Co., New York..... .75
14. Goethe's Faust. Taylor. Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston..... 2.50
- Reference books: Gayley's Classical Myths (Ginn & Co.), \$1.50; Classical Dictionary, William Smith (American Book Co., New York), \$4.25; Introduction to Homer, Richard C. Jebb.

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